

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE (QAC)

A meeting of the Quality Assurance Committee will be held on **Wednesday 17 September 2025** at **2:05pm – 3:55pm** via **Microsoft Teams** and **Committee Room 2, University Office**.

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AGENDA

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**
(i) **16 April 2025** (QAC/170925/001a)
(ii) **10 July 2025** (QAC/170925/001b)
2. **Matters Arising and Action Log** (QAC/170925/002)
3. **Committee Governance**
(i) **Remit and Composition** (QAC/170925/003, to follow)
(ii) **Appointments to Senate** (Oral Item)
(iii) **Appointments to Academic and Policy Regulations Group** (Oral Item)
Presenter: Chair

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve** the Remit and Composition; and **agree** appointments to the Senate and Academic Policy & Regulations Group (APRG). The Committee should note that there are 2 vacancies on the Senate, and 1 vacancy on the APRG.

4. **Academic Quality Handbook Guidance for Students' Work Affected by them Undertaking Paid Employment** (QAC/170925/004)
Presenter: Tracey Innes

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve** the updated Guidance for Students' Work Affected by them Undertaking Paid Employment.

5. **Greece TNE Project**
(i) **Validation Report for Biomedical Science (Applied)** (QAC/170925/005)
Presenter: Virtu Solano
(ii) **Validation Report for MBA and BMIS** (QAC/170925/006, to follow)
Presenter: Alex Menshykov

Members of the Committee are invited to **consider** and **approve** the validation reports for the Panels for (i) Biomedical Science (Applied); and (ii) MBA and Business Management and Information Systems.

- (iii) **Degree in Medicine Degree Regulations** (QAC/170925/007)
Presenter: Chair

Members of the Committee are invited to **consider** and **approve** the Degree Regulations and regulatory matters pertaining to the Degree in Medicine at the University of Aberdeen at Aegean Omiros University, Greece.

(iv) Degree in Medicine Education Policy

(QAC/170925/008)

Presenter: Chair

Members of the Committee are invited to **consider** and **approve** the Education Policy matters pertaining to the Degree in Medicine at the University of Aberdeen at Aegean Omiros University, Greece.

6. Internal Teaching Review (ITR)

(i) ITR Report for School of Natural & Computing Science (QAC/170925/009)

Presenter: Faye Hendry

(ii) ITR Report for School of Engineering

(QAC/170925/010)

Presenter: Lois Gall and/or Piotr Niewiadomski (TBC)

Members of the Committee are invited to **consider** and **approve** the ITR reports for the School of (i) Natural and Computing Science; and (ii) Engineering.

7. Update on Tertiary Quality Enhancement Review (TQER)

(Oral Item)

Presenter: Chair and/or Emma Tough, if required

Members of the Committee will **hear** an update on the ongoing preparations for the Tertiary Quality Enhancement Review (TQER).

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Wednesday 12 November 2025 at 2:05pm in Committee Room 2, University Office or via Microsoft Teams.

9. Business for Routine Approval

10. Business for Information

Any member of the Committee wishing an item for routine approval or for information to be brought forward for discussion may ask at the meeting for that to be done. Any such item will be taken after item 1.

Declaration of interests: Any member and individual in attendance (including Officers) who has a clear interest in a matter on the agenda should declare that interest at the relevant meeting, whether or not that interest is already recorded in the Registry of Member's interests.

9. BUSINESS FOR ROUTINE APPROVAL

9.1 Students' Progress Committee Remit and Compositions 2025/26

(i) Students' Progress Committee

(QAC/170925/011)

(ii) Students' Progress Committee (Medicine & Dentistry)

(QAC/170925/012)

Presenter: Clerk, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve**, by routine approval, the Students' Progress Committee Remits and Compositions.

9.2 Fitness to Practise Committee Remit and Compositions 2025/26

(i) Fitness to Practise Committee (Education)

(QAC/170925/013)

(ii) Fitness to Practise Committee (Medicine & Dentistry)

(QAC/170925/014)

Presenter: Clerk, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve**, by routine approval, the Fitness to Practise Committee Remits and Compositions.

9.3 Academic Policy & Regulations Group Remit & Composition (QAC/170925/015)
Presenter: Faye Hendry, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve**, by routine approval, the Academic Policy & Regulations Group Remit and Composition.

9.4 QAA UK Quality Code Mapping

- (i) **Principle 1: Taking a strategic approach to managing quality and standards** (QAC/170925/016a)
- (ii) **Principle 2: Engaging students as partners** (QAC/170925/016b)
- (iii) **Principle 3: Resourcing delivery of a high-quality student experience** (QAC/170925/016c)
- (iv) **Principle 4: Using data to inform and evaluate quality** (QAC/170925/016d)
- (v) **Principle 5: Monitoring, evaluating and enhancing provision** (QAC/170925/016e)
- (vi) **Principle 6: Engaging in external review and accreditation** (QAC/170925/016f)
- (vii) **Principle 7: Designing, developing, approving and modifying programmes** (QAC/170925/016g)
- (viii) **Principle 8: Operating partnerships with other organisations** (QAC/170925/016h)
- (ix) **Principle 9: Recruiting, selecting and admitting students** (QAC/170925/016i)
- (x) **Principle 10: Supporting students to achieve their potential** (QAC/170925/016j)
- (xi) **Principle 11: Teaching, learning and assessment** (QAC/170925/016k)
- (xii) **Principle 12: Operating concerns, complaints and appeals processes** (QAC/170925/016l)

Presenter: Chair, Faye Hendry and/or Clerk, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **approve**, by routine approval, the Quality Code Mapping, as considered by the Academic Policy and Regulations Group.

10. BUSINESS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Report from Academic Policy & Regulations Group (QAC/170925/017)
Presenter: Faye Hendry, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the report from the Academic Policy & Regulations Group.

10.2 Institutional Liaison Meeting: Note of Meeting (QAC/170925/018)
Presenter: Chair, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the note of meeting from the Institutional Liaison Meeting with QAA Scotland.

10.3 GenAI and Emerging Technologies in Education (QAC/170925/019)
Presenter: Sara Preston, if required

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the update in respect of Generative AI and Emerging Technologies in Education.

10.4 Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies

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| (i) Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies Register | <i>(QAC/170925/020)</i> |
| (ii) Royal Society of Biology | <i>(QAC/170925/021)</i> |
| (iii) IEMA | <i>(QAC/170925/022)</i> |
| (iv) General Teaching Council for Scotland | <i>(QAC/170925/023)</i> |
| (v) CIArb | <i>(QAC/170925/024)</i> |
| (vi) Association for Nutrition | <i>(QAC/170925/029)</i> |
| (vii) Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine | <i>(QAC/170925/030)</i> |

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the matters pertaining to Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies.

10.5 Matters Approved by Convenor's Action / by Circulation

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| (i) India Admissions Protocol | <i>(QAC/170925/025)</i> |
| (ii) Qatar Admissions Protocol | <i>(QAC/170925/026)</i> |
| (iii) Qatar C6 and C7 Process for Block Taught Courses | <i>(QAC/170925/027)</i> |
| (iii) Winter Graduations 2025 Schedule | <i>(QAC/170925/028)</i> |

Members of the Committee are invited to **note** the matters approved by Convenor's Action or by Circulation.